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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Yoichiro SAKO et al.  
Serial No.: 10/069,198  
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For: REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND REPRODUCING METHOD  
FOR RECORD MEDIUM, DATA OUTPUT CONTROLLING  
METHOD, DATA OUTPUTTING METHOD, ERROR DETECTING  
METHOD, AND DATA OUTPUTTING AND REPRODUCING  
METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified  
application, Applicants respectfully request that the  
application be amended as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure by rewriting  
same to read as follows:

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--A reproducing method for a record medium includes the  
steps of performing a demodulating process for data that have